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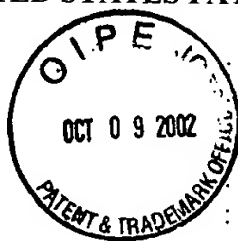
In re Application of

Toshifumi SUGANAGA

Serial No.: 09/820,841

Filed: March 30, 2001

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS, EXPOSURE METHOD AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE
FABRICATED WITH THE EXPOSURE METHOD



Group Art Unit: 1756

Examiner: C.G. Young

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

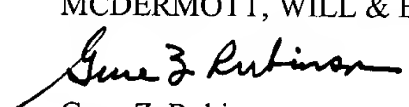
Sir:

Noting the Office Action of September 13, 2002 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant(s) hereby elect Group I (claims 1-2 and 6-8) for prosecution in the above-identified application. Rejoinder of the non-elected method claims upon allowance of counterpart elected claims is requested.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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